Dakota, 11. Wyoming 11, 20.

### HUMIDITY.

The averages by districts appear in the subjoined table: Average relative humidity and departures from the normal.

Districts.		Departure from the normal.	Districts.	Average.	Departure from the normal.	
New England Middle Atlantic South Atlantic Florida Peninsula East Gulf West Gulf Ohio Valley and Tennessee Lower Lake Upper Lake North Dakota Upper Mississippi Valley	79 81 81 79 77 76 77 79 63	+ 2220 1 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 2 4 + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	Missouri Valley Northern Slope Middle Slope Southern Slope Southern Plateau Middle Plateau Northern Plateau North Pacific Middle Pacific South Pacific	58 63 62 42 38 47 75	-25 +50 -51 +56 -63 +56	

### SUNSHINE AND CLOUDINESS.

The distribution of sunshine is graphically shown on Chart VII. and the numerical values of average daylight cloudiness, both for individual stations and by geographical districts, appear in Table I.

The averages for the various districts, with departures from

the normal, are shown in the table below:

Average cloudiness and departures from the normal.

Districts.	Average.	Departure from the normal.	Districts.	Average.	Departure from the normal.
New England Middle Atlantic South Atlantic Florida Peninsula East Gulf West Gulf Ohio Valley and Tennessee Lower Lake Upper Lake North Dakota Upper Mississippl Valley	5, 8 5, 2 5, 0 5, 1 6, 1 4, 3 5, 4 6, 3 4, 0 5, 3	+ 0.8 + 0.4 + 0.2 - 0.4 + 1.7 + 1.0 + 1.6 + 1.2 - 0.3 + 1.1	Missouri Valley Northern Slope Middle Slope Southern Slope Southern Plateau Middle Plateau Northern Plateau North Pacific Middle Pacific South Pacific	4.1 8.8 4.0 2.5 2.5 8.6 4.3	$\begin{array}{c} + 0.2 \\ + 0.1 \\ + 0.6 \\ + 0.4 \\ + 0.2 \\ - 0.5 \\ - 0.6 \\ + 0.4 \\ + 0.4 \end{array}$

# WIND.

The maximum wind velocity at each Weather Bureau station

Colorado, 11, 21, 22, 26. Montana, 16. Nebraska, 26. South for a period of five minutes is given in Table I, which also gives the altitude of Weather Bureau anemometers above ground.

Following are the velocities of 50 miles and over per hour registered during the month:

#### Maximum wind velocities.

Stations.	Date.	Velocity.	Direction.	Stations,	Date.	Velocity.	Direction.
Bismarck, N. Dak Buffalo, N. Y Chicago, Ill. Columbia, S. C. Mount Tamalpais, Cal Do. Do. Do. New York, N. Y.	13 8 30 19 24 27	60 51 52 53 60 75 56 58	b. sw. sw. sw. nw. nw. nw. nw.	North Head, Wash Port Reyes Light, Cal Do Do Do Do Syracuse, N. Y Williston, N. Dak	26 19 24 25 27 28 9 25	60 61 64 59 69 66 58	s. nw. nw. nw. nw. se.

#### ATMOSPHERIC ELECTRICITY.

Numerical statistics relative to auroras and thunderstorms are given in Table IV, which shows the number of stations from which meteorological reports were received, and the number of such stations reporting thunderstorms (T) and auroras (A) in each State and on each day of the month, respectively.

Thunderstorms.—Reports of 2,641 thunderstorms were received during the current month as against 2,629 in 1901 and

6,524 during the preceding month.

The dates on which the number of reports of thunderstorms for the whole country was most numerous were: 5th, 160; 26th, 151; 27th, 136; 1st, 131.

Reports were most numerous from: Florida, 216; Texas,

187; Missouri, 171; Illinois, 132.

Auroras.—The evenings on which bright moonlight must have interfered with observations of faint auroras are assumed to be the four preceding and following the date of full moon, viz: 13th to 21st.

In Canada: Thunderstorms were reported as follows: Sydney, 2; Grand Manan, 2; Quebec, 1, 4, 7, 23; Ottawa, 23; Toronto, 3; White River, 17; Port Stanley, 7, 9, 28; Saugeen, 7; Parry Sound, 1, 3, 6, 9; Port Arthur, 16; Prince Albert, 7; Hamilton, Bermuda, 23, 30. Auroras were reported from White River, Ont., on the 2d and 5th.

# DESCRIPTION OF TABLES AND CHARTS.

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For description of tables and charts see page 413 of Review for August, 1902.